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Sir:

Listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are the materials recently located by the undersigned to further detail Lenat's Cyc project.

No item of information contained in the attached information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the person signing the certification after making reasonable inquiry, was "known" to any individual

Applicants are active in the field of natural language processing, and are generally aware of many of the writings in the field. Some of applicants were generally aware of the existence of certain of the newly references. 13But littiwas not until the Office's new assertion in paper 7, page 5, that Lenat's 1989 writing "cannot be taken as the last word," that the

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designated in § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the statement.

If the Office finds these materials do not comply with Rule 97, their consideration as evidence shedding further light on the teachings of Lenat's 1989 book is nonetheless requested.

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relevance of these references (Lenat's later writings), e.g. for their contrary teachings, became apparent. In this sense, these references have just become "known."